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Incident:

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Name and address of observer:

Studebaker Corp

Occupation and hobbies:

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer(s): very reliable

was called by Miss to observe an unidentified flying object. Mr bobserved a spinning or flashing object which seemed to be moving at a high rate of speed from northwest to southeast and holding a steady course. It appeared either silver or chrome in color. Observer was unable to determine what the object was, its size, height, or rate of speed.



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MCRIAP-18A ATTN: R. L. Wassell Col. USAF MCIANO-3

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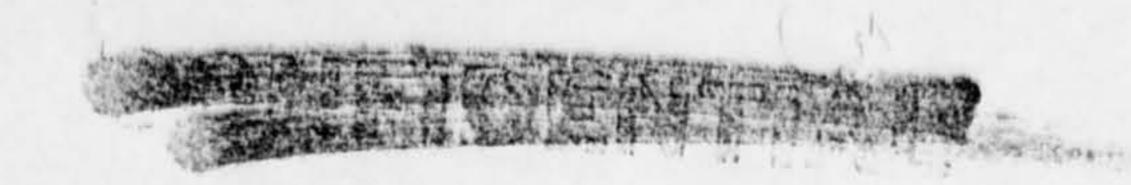
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FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

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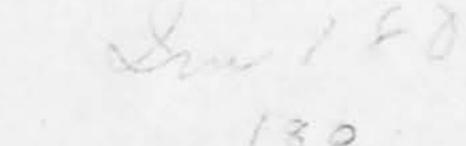
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REQUEST BRIEF SUMMARY AND EVALUATION REGARDING UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT INCIDENT REPORTED TO HAVE OCCURRED AT SOUTH BEND, INDIANA 14 OCTOBER 1948.

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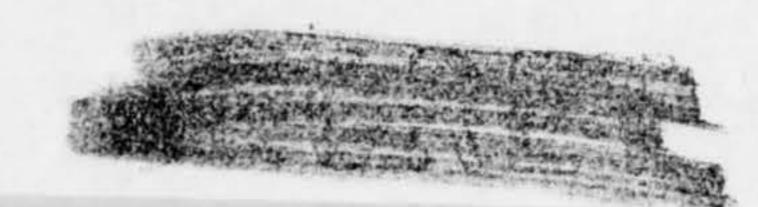
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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

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Report made by

GOMER L. GIBSON

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Period :

25-29 Nov 1948; 1 Dec 1948

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He, Air Materiel Command

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Security Survey (Flying Disc)

Ltr Hg, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson AFB, 22 Oct 48, files MCIAXX-3.

Synopsis Investigation requested by Colonel W. R. CLINGERMAN, Acting Chief, Intelligence, Ho. lir Material Command, Wright-Patterson AFB. On or about moontime, 13 October 1948, a clear day, Miss - Secretary, and chief clerk, Engineering, of the Studebaker Corporation, South Bend, Indiana, reported to Exscutive Engineer, Body Engineering Department of Studebaker that on or about 11:40 a.m., they had viewed a flying anomaly, flying over the city of South Bend, The First saw an unknown type of plane fade from view after which her eye noted a spinning. Clashing, silver, flat object without fins or protrusions, traveling at great speed. on a direct course, and at a height of 1500 feet. . Called to view the object and he confirmed her impression. The object was in view eight to ten seconds. a responsible executive of the Studebaker Corporation vouchsafed for the high calibraand reliability of and and who collaborated to answer questions listed in Issential Elements of Information regarding "Sightings of Unidentified Asrial Objects, Project: "Sign"," wherein they reiterate their initial observations of the anomaly. investigation into the beokgrounds of and and revealed them to be individed uals of good repute. Weather data was obtained from the South Bend station of the J.S. Department of Commerce, Weather Bureau, who rated 13 October 1948, as to average ploudiness, with 4, on a scale of zero to ten. We object such as described reached the earth at or near South Bend. No commercial aircraft were scheduled over South Bend at time anomaly riewed.

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Action Copy forwarded to Commanding General, Air Material Command, Tright Patterson AFB, Dayton, Ohio.

Attens Acting Chief, Intelligence Division.

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MES G. RICHARDSON

Lt Colonel, USAF.

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DETAILS:

This investigation was requested by Col W. R. CLINGERMAN, Acting Chief. Intelligence, Mr. Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton. Onio, who by a letter dated 22 October, subjects "Project 'Sign', informed this office that an aerial anomaly had been reported from South Bend, Indiana. Said letter contained as an inclosure a list of questions to be utilized, entitled, "Blements or Essential Information".

AT SOUTH BEND, INDIANA

- 1. On 25 November 1948, Mr. Bend, Indiana, and Executive Engineer for Body Engineering, Studebaker Corporation, South Bend, Indiana, stated that upon his return from lanch 15 October 1948, Miss cold him about seeing an aerial anomaly from her office window. Chief Clerk, Engineering Department, Studebaker Corvoration, South Bend, Indiana, also saw the serial anomaly after his attention was called to it by Miss according to Mr. Mr. woodistely caestioned both persons having noted this phonomenon, separately, endeavoring to get a clear; picture of just what had been seen. Mr. himself did not actually see this apparation. Mr. dis a former Captain in the United States Army Alr Force and was Projects Officer in the Production Division of Wright Engines while stationed at Wright Field. During the early days of the war, Mr. Twas Chief Engineer of the Air Aviation Civision of the Studebaker Corporation, South Bend, Indiana.
- 2. On 29 November 1948, the writer interviewed Mr. Vice President in charge of Engineering of the Studebaker Formeration, South Bend, Indiana. who stated that he had heard about the aerial anomaly, but did not observe its flight. However: Mr. stated that in his opinion, the veracity of Miss and Mr. was unquestionable.
- 3. On 1 December 1948, reporting Agent interviewed Miss retary to Mr. Wice President in charge of Engineering, Studebaker Corporation, South Bend, Indiana, Miss stated that at approximately 1145 hours on 13 October 1948, while looking out the office window facing north, she noticed a very dark colored plans flying directly north, but it was so distant she could not determine what type of plane it was, other than the fact that it was not a transport plane, inamuch as they ase transports frequently, which she described as silver in solor, traveling East and West; or Southeest and Morthwest, while within the scope of vision of her window. As Miss to watched the described plane fade from view, another object caught her attention. At first she believed it to be a piece of paper being blown along by the wind. However, after observing it more closely, she noted that it was much higher than would be possible for a piece of paper to normally be floating. The object was traveling at what seemed to be a very high rate of speed, and it was impossible for her to determine the altitude at which it was moving. The object was silver in color, and second to be turning or spinning so that the ame reflected from the object. As the object was traveling very repidly, and, at what seemed a very high altitude, it was not possible to determine its shame. She was certain however, it was not an airplane. It, also, did not appear to be smooth surfaced object because of the flashing of the sun's rays against it. the object was traveling a direct course from Northwest to Southeast, a and was within her score of fision for perhaps 15 to 20 seconds.
- DTE: A test was conducted by Mr. and the writer to ascertain the accuracy of Miss test was repeated three times, and each time it was noted that her conception of time (which she had estimated as 15 seconds) varied from 8 seconds to 10 seconds WNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS: CLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.



- 4. On 1 December 1948, Mr.

 Studebaker Corporation, South Bend 27, Indiana, stated he and Miss and occupy the same office, and that on Wednesday, 13 October 1948, at approximately 1145 hours, Miss called Mr. The to the office window facing North. He stated that he observed going across the sky at what seemed to be a high rate of speed, a spinning or flashing object of either silver or chrome appearance. This object seemed to be helding a steady course from Northwest to Southeast. Mr. Was unable to determine what this object could be, or its size, altitude or rate of speed, but it did occur to Mr. that it might be one of the flying dises of which he heard so much.
- 5. Mr. Assistant Vice President, Engineering Department, Studebaker Corporation, South Bend, Indiana, stated that he did not see the aerial anomaly, but heard about it, and since he had passed it off as a joke, he did not pay any more attention to it. He stated however, that Misses and Mr. American for the high type caliber employees, and were, in his opinion, two persons that could be regarded as reliable.
- 6. In an attempt to gain more information, the following additional checks were made in an interview with Miss and Mr. The many
- a. They were not sure the object was rotating, but gained that impression because of the flashing of the sun from its surface.
- b. They were not sure of the object's altitude, but felt that it was not traveling over 1500 feet.
- c. The object was traveling at very high speed, estimated approximately three times the speed of a transport. (Inasmuch as transports frequently fly over the city and can be readily seen from Mission window, she was able to make this comparison.)
 - d. There was no vaper trail and no noise that could be heard from the object.
- e. Neither Miss that he object might have been, nor did they notice any fine, semblance of wings, or similar protusions.
- f. The writer asked if it might have been an escaped weather balloon, and they were both positive that it was not spherical, and that it was not an airplane.
- g. Miss estimate of its size was that it was not as large as a DC.3, probably larger than a Piper Cub.
- 7. Both Miss and Mr. are considered a high type of person by their employers, and held important positions with the Corporation of South Bend, Indiana. They have no criminal records, and no derogatory information could be learned concerning them in South Bend or Mishawaka, Indiana.
- Indiana. In company with Mr. The Bort tower, St. Joseph County, St. Joseph Air Port, South Bend, Indiana, and learned there were no unusual circumstances, 13 Oct 48.

 This determined by checking the log.

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Inclosures:

- 1. Extract of monthly Climatological Summary.
- Statement from Miss
- Statement from Mr.
- Map of South Bend.
- 5. Air Line Schedules, South Bend, Indiana.
- 6. Questionnaire, "Essential Elements of Information",

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Incident #130a, b -- South Bend, Indiana -- 13 October 1943

There is no astronomical explanation for this incident.

Asflection of the sun from a balloon or aircraft appoaring in foreshortened position might possibly ascount for the description given here.

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The following is an extract of data pertaining to 13 October 1948 as obtained from Monthly Climatological Summary of the South Bend Station for the month of October, 1948.

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, WEATHER BUREAU MONTHLY CLIMATOLOGICAL SUMMARY With Comparative Data

STATION South Bend, Indiana (airport) Month October 1948

Phone 3-6001; 90th Meridian Time; Lat 11012' N, Long86019'W; Eleva 776 ft

Date: 13 October 1948

Temperature:

Maximum: 53
Minimum: 40
Mean: 49
Departure
fr Normal: -6
Degree, Days
Base 65

Precipitation:
Total (inches) 0.00

Weather: Average Cloudiness, Scale O to 10: 4

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In compliance with request contained in "Elements of Essential Information, Project, Sign", Miss on 1 December 1948 executed and

THE STUDEBAKER CORPORATION South Bend 27, Indiana

December 1, 1948

At approximately 11:45 AM on October 13, 1948, while looking out through our office window facing North, I noticed a very dark colored plane flying directly North, but it was so far away I could not determine what type plane it was other than the fact that I felt it was not a transport plane inasmuch as we see transports very frequently, they are sliver in color and travel East and West, or Southeast and Northwest while within our scope of vision from this location.

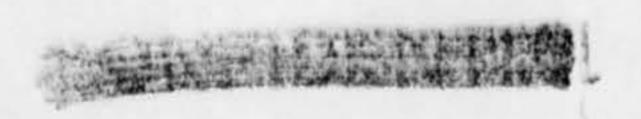
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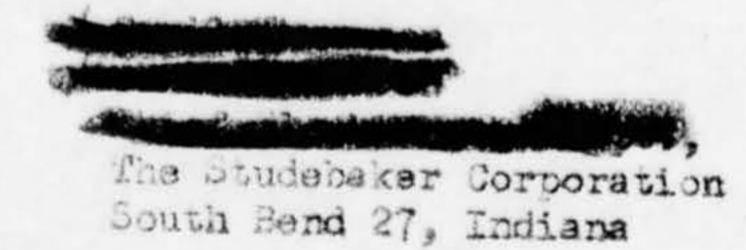
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Edwardsburg, Michigan December 1, 1943



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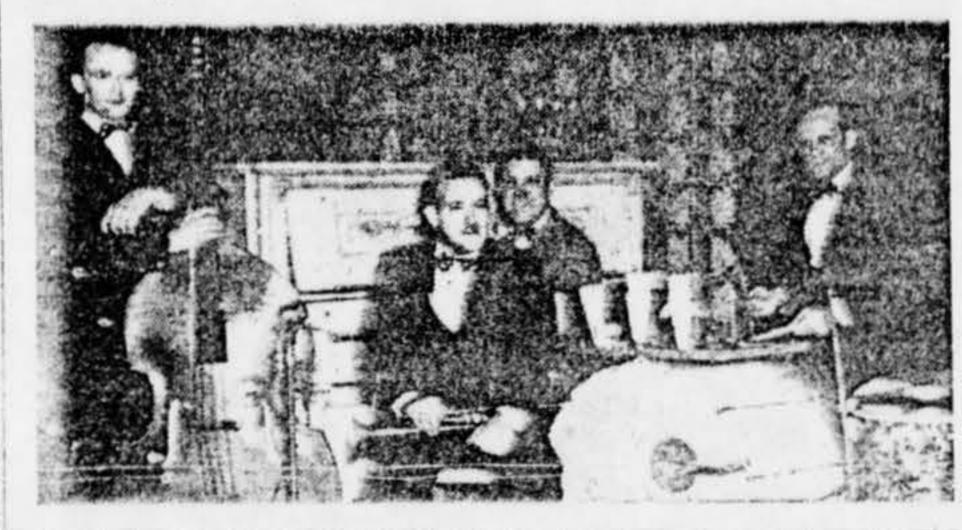
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The South Bend, Indiana, flight schedules of known Commercial Air Lines, are set forth below. No flights were scheduled to be over South Bend at 1145 hours, 13 October 1948.

UNITED AIR LINES

				Loave	
Flight	111,	West Bour	2d	1:36	Poll.
Flight	131,	West Bour	ad	6:46	
		West Bour		10:40	The second secon
		East Boun		9:35	
Flight	136,	Bast Boun	nd	12:25	p.n.
		East Bour		6:15	The second secon
Flight	0800	(Cargo) E	ast Bound	10:20	

TRANS WORLD AIRLINE

Flight	457.	West	Bound	1:15	D.II.
Flight	the same and the s			10:40	100
Flight	520,	East	Bound	8:05	-
Flight	376,	East	Bound	1:30	
F11ght	450,	East	Bound	4:20	-

AMERICAN AIR LINES

Flight	729,	West.	Bound	3:57 p.m.
Flight				10:36 а,ш.

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and the South Bend, Indiana, collaborated on 1 December 1948 to supply the answers to the below listed questions contained in "Essential Elements of Information".

1. Date of Sighting

2. Time of Sighting

3. There sighted:

a. Ground

(1) City, Town.

(2) Distance and direction from city.

(3) From Building, yard, etc.

(L) Map coordinates.

. Air

c. Sea

4. Mumber of objects

5. Distance of object from observer

. a. Laterally or horizontally

b. Angle of elevation from horizon

c. Altitude

6. Time in sight

7. Appearance of object

a. Color

b. Simpe

c. Apparent construction

d. Size

(1) Estimated size

(2) Size as it appeared from

observer's view.

3. Direction of flight

9. Tactics or maneuvers

10. Evidence of Exhaust

a. Color of smoke

b. Length and width

c. Odor

d. Rate of evaporation

e. Does trail vary with sound

11. Effects on clouds

a. Opened path thru clouds

b. Formed cloud or mists

c. Reflected on cloud

d. Shown thru cloud

12. Lights

13. Support

Li. Propulsion

15. Control and stability

16. Air Ducts

17. Speed - MPH

13. Sound @

19. Was any radio antenna to be observed

13 October 1948

South Band, Indiana

Over Main part of South Bend.

Seen from building.

Unknown

Not applicable

Not apulicable

One (1) only

Could not answer

Not definite

1.1

8-10 seconds

Aluminum or chrome

Definitely flat or disc shape

Unknown

Unknown

Not as large as a DC-3 transport,

larger than a Piper Cub.

From Northwest to Southeast

Flew straight line

Unknown

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Unknown

Clear day

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Very high rate of speed

None heard

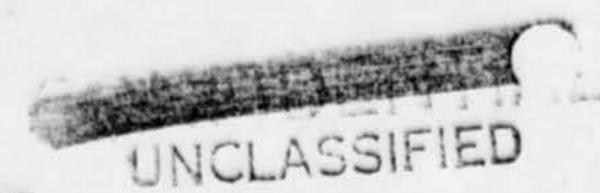
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20. Manner of disappearance a. Faded from view

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Relative to the Observer

Name of observer

Address

Occupation

Place of business

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Ability to determine

a.Golor

b. Speed of moving objects

c. Size at distance

7. Reliability of observer

a. Sources

(1) Neignbors

(2) Police Department

(3) FBI records

(4) Employer

6. Notes relative to observer on

a. Sightings in general

b. How attention was drawn to object(s)

(1) Sound

(2) Motion

(3) glint of Light

9. Witnesses

a. Addresses

b. Occupation

c. Reliability

10. Comments of interrogator re intelligence Persons highly recommended as to and character of person interrogated.

Secretary

Studebaker Corp, South Bend, Ind.

None

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Good

No Record

No Record

dell qualified & trusad employee

Flaeting object going through sky

Hone

Glint of light when Miss Brooks

looked out window, moving

Glint of light

Studebaker Corporation

Very reliable

character, appear to be very intelligent to reporting agent.

Relative to Radar Sightings

Meither of the persons interviewed could give information relative to that requested in questions one and two.

General

1. Talatype sequences of local weather conditions - See Incl 1.

2. Winds aloft report

No record kept

3. Local flight schedules of commercial,

private and military acft

See Incl #5

h. Possible releases of testing devices in No record of any Theirity sent alogs by Ordnance, Navy, Force, Army, Weather Units, etc.

If object contacted earth, etc.

Faded From sight.

If object came near other aircraft, etc.

Unknown

Ustain whotographs; secure skatches, etc. Home obtained,

d, Decure signed statement,

Incl #2 and #3.

Obtain fragments or physical swidence. Mone to be had.

Dr HYNEK'S EVALUATIONS EXTRACTED FROM PROJECT GRUDGE REPORT.

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- b. Fair or low probability:
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 - 8. Ballooms or ordinary aircraft: #3, 11, 22, 41, 42, 53, 54, 73, 81, 83, 91, 92, 113, 114, 115, 126, 131, 138, 141, 145, 155, 156, 157, 159, 160, 161, 163, 169, 171, 173, 178, 180, 182, 188, 190, 194, 195, 196, 193, 200, 201, 209, 210, 217, 222, 235, 237, 239.
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AIR WHATHER SERVICE Andrews Air Force Base Washington 25, D. C.

In Roply Refer To: AMS DSS

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SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects

Air Materiel Command

Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Daytor, Chio
ATIN: MCIAXO-3

- 1. Reference is made to letter from your headquarters, MCIAXS, dated 9 March 1949, subject "Unidentified Flying Objects," and first indersement thereto by this headquarters, dated 31 March 1949.
- 2. The incident summaries 173 through 233 have been checked against routine weather-balloon ascents made by the Air Force, Navy and Weather Bureau. Comments based on this review are inclosed.
- 3. It is recommended that the "Guide To Investigation Of Unidentified Aerial Objects" be changed as follows: Item 13, "Direction of Flight of Object," should be clarified so that vertical and horizontal motions are distinguished if possible, and so that motion is specified as the direction towards which the object appears to move. "Relative to Radar Settings" should include a statement of the type of radar set used.

FOR THE CHIEF, AIR WEATHER STRVICE

2 Inchas

1 - Incident Summaries

2 - Comments 173 thru 233

/s/ W. A. West
W. A. WEST
Lt. Col., USAP
Adjutant General

- 1. Date of Observation 13 Oct 1948 Date of Interview
- 2. Exact time (local) 1145
- 3. Place of Observation South Bend, Indiana
- 1. Position of observer Window of office building
- 5. Mat attracted attention to object : -
- 6. Number of objects 1
- 7. Apparent size Smaller than DC-3 but larger than cub
- 8. Color of object silver aluminum or chrome
- 9. Shape flat object or disc-shaped
- 10. Altitude not over 1,500 ft
- 11. Direction from observer
- 12. Distance from observer Could not estimate
 - 13. Direction of flight of object(s) Northwest-Southeast 8-10 f/HEI
 - 1. Time in sight 15-20 seconds f/statement
 - 15. great speed three times that of transport
 - lo. bound and dor none heard
- 17. Trail none noticed
- 18. Luminosity None observed
- 19. Projections none observed
- 20. Laneuvers Spinning on a direct course
- 21. Lanner of disappearance Faded from view
- 22: Effect on clouds clear day no clouds
- 23. Additional information concerning object
- 24. Wester conditions Clear day average cloudiness -

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- 1. Reference is made to letter from your headquarters, MCIAKS, dated 9 March 1949, subject "Unidentified Flying Objects," and first indersement thereto by this headquarters, dated 31 March 1949.
- 2. The incident summaries 173 through 233 have been checked against routine weather-balloon ascents made by the Air Force, Navy and Weather Bureau. Comments based on this review are inclosed.
- 3. It is recommended that the "Guide To Investigation Of Unidentified Aerial Objects" be changed as follows: Item 13, "Direction of Flight of Object," should be clarified so that vertical and horizontal motions are distinguished if possible, and so that motion is apecified as the direction towards which the object appears to move. "Relative to Radar Settings" should include a statement of the type of radar set used.

FOR THE CHIEF, AIR WEATHER STRVICE

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1 - Incident Summaries

2 - Comments 173 thru 233

/s/ W. A. West
W. A. West
Lt. Col., USAP
Adjutant General

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No. 130: No date given hence no analysis possible.

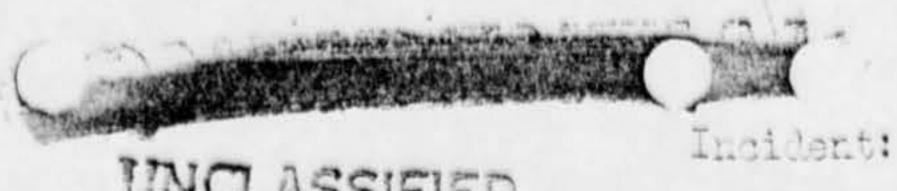
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- 2. Exact time (local) 1145
- 3. Place of Observation South Bend, Indiana
- 4. Positi n of observer Window of office building
- 5. Just attracted attention to object 2 -
- 6. Number of objects 1
- 7. Apparent size Smaller than DC-3 but larger than cub
- 8. Color of object silver aluminum or chrome
- 9. Shape flat object or disc-shaped
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 - 18. Luminosity None observed
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 - 22: Effect on clouds clear day no clouds
 - 23. Additional information concerning object
 - El. Weather conditions Clear day average cloudiness -

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Name and address of observer;

, Studebaker Corp.,

Occupation and hobbies:

South Bend, Ind

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer(s): Highly recommended as to character. Ability to judge color: O. K., ability to estimate speed & size of objects fair,

While watching a conventional plane fading from view another object caught the attention of Miss At first she thought the object was a piece of paper but on closer observation noted that it was much higher that it would be possible to see a piece of paper floating. Also, the object was traveling at a high rate of speed. It was impossible for observer to determine the altitude. Object was silver in color and seemed to be turning or spinning so that the sun reflected on it. The shape could not be determined altho observer was certain it was not an airplane. It appeared smooth-surfaced because of the flashing of the sunrays against it. The object was traveling a direct course from northwest to southeast and was seen for perhaps 15 to 20 seconds

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